

HOUSE RESOLUTION 34

By Shaw

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Ernest Tisdale of Bolivar.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Ernest Tisdale of Bolivar; and

WHEREAS, Ernest Tisdale was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a career state employee, Mr. Tisdale served with acumen and alacrity as an employee at Western Mental Health Institution, where he earned the respect and admiration of his superiors and fellow employees alike for the superior quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, a champion for his fellow state employees, Mr. Tisdale was a thirty-four-year member of the Tennessee State Employees Association (TSEA), having joined that esteemed organization on January 30, 1987; and

WHEREAS, a leader among his peers, he was a former president and treasurer of TSEA's Southwest Chapter and worked as a TSEA Worksite Representative during his tenure at Western Mental Health Institute; and

WHEREAS, he served as a Local TEAM Coordinator for TEAM PAC and later was a member of the TEAM PAC Administrative Committee from 1989 to 1999 and from 2002 to 2007; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tisdale was elected to the TSEA Board of Directors as District 3 Director in 2003 and would serve in that position until 2011, when he was elected to serve as State Treasurer of TSEA from 2011 to 2014; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards or accolades, Ernest Tisdale received the TSEA's Outstanding Chapter Member Award, was a three-time winner of the Cora Redmond Award, and was inducted into the TSEA Hall of Fame in 2005; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many endeavors, Mr. Tisdale enjoyed the love and support of his wife of forty-seven years, Jackie, and their family; and

WHEREAS, Ernest Tisdale leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Ernest Tisdale, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Tisdale.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.